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## 26A-1-105.5 United local health department -- Multicounty united local health department -- Election by county governing body -- Appointment of director.

- (1) A county governing body may elect to:
  - (a) form a united local health department for the purpose of combining into a single entity the duties of:
    - (i) the local health department;
    - (ii) the mental health authority; and
    - (iii) the substance abuse authority; and
  - (b) provide for the coordination of services for the populations served by the entities described in Subsection (1)(a).

(2)

- (a) Two or more contiguous counties may, by executing an agreement pursuant to the provisions of Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, unite to create and maintain a multicounty united local health department.
- (b) Any municipalities within counties comprising a multicounty united local health department under Subsection (2)(a) shall be served by the multicounty united local health department.
- (3) A united local health department created under this section shall administer the programs and services of each entity listed in Subsections (1)(a) in accordance with:
  - (a) this chapter;
  - (b) Title 17, Chapter 43, Part 2, Local Substance Abuse Authorities; and
  - (c)Title 17, Chapter 43, Part 3, Local Mental Health Authorities.

(4)

- (a) Notwithstanding Section 26A-1-110:
  - (i) the county governing body shall, in consultation with the board, appoint an executive director for a united local health department and determine the executive director's compensation; and
  - (ii) the county governing bodies of a multicounty united local health department shall, in consultation with the board, appoint an executive director for the multicounty local health department and determine the executive director's compensation.
- (b) An executive director appointed under Subsection (4)(a):
  - (i) shall serve as the local health officer; and
  - (ii) may be removed for cause under Section 26A-1-111.
- (5) The treasurer of a united local health department may establish and maintain funds in addition to the local health department fund established under Section 26A-1-119, if the additional fund is necessary to:
  - (a) provide substance abuse authority services or mental health authority services; and
  - (b) comply with federal regulation or federal statute.

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